

PATENT

Attorney's Docket No. 023895/259077

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Ratliff, et al. Confirmation No.: 6914  
Appl. No.: 09/961,419 Art Unit: 2161  
Filed: 09/25/2001 Examiner: Charles C. Agwumezie  
For: AVAILABILITY BASED VALUE  
CREATION METHOD AND SYSTEM

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 25, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.